South. Australia Heritage Act 1978-80

HERITAGE SURVEY IDENTIFICATION ITEM SHEET

Cut Hill Stone Wall and Monument

Former or other

ITEM NAME:

Item Ref. No. Office Use

PROJECT

ITEM No. DOCKET No.

DESCRIPTION: A masterly construction of a parapet wall extending the perimeter of the Cut Hill section of road. Constructed of coursed, rough-faced, stone walling, with a breadth-ways uppermost course.

HISTORY: Constructed in 1868 as part of the reworking of the transport route to Victor Harbor. The wall's construction Hundred is attributed to Jabez Grimble under contract to the Central Roads Board. However, local historians claim that Grimble did not in fact finish the contract; the work being completed by another.

HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE: A superb example of a parapet wall, with fine masonry techniques in evidence. Significant as a major statement of the impact of the Central Road Board's reconstruction of South Australian transport networks in the mid 19th century. A significant State landmark also, for generations of South Australian travellers.

LOCATION Main Rd. Adelaide Address -Victor Harbor

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION

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(10kms V.H.) Town Victor Harbor Postcode 5211

Section 148

Goolwa County Hindmarsh L.G.A.

S.H.P. Region 4 A.M.G. Ref. 6627-III

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USE

PERIOD State

Study Area 1862-1880

REFERENCES

D.A. Cumming, E.B.C. Report, National Trust of S.A.

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LAND Natural feature Historical site Historical Gdn. BUILDING

STRUCTURE

STATUS

Other

PHYSICAL CONDITION

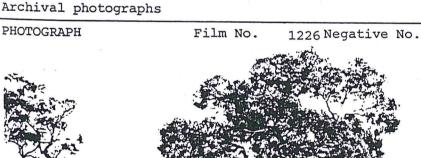
Nominated National Estate

National Trust

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LAND TITLE

C.T. 3033/14

RECOMMENDATION

(A) State X (B) Local

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State Heritage Place

Cut Hill Stone Wall and Monument

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Adelaide Road, Victor Harbor

ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE VALUE:

Description:

The stone wall extends for several score metres beside the road at a steep section of Cut Hill. It is built from stones quarried adjacent to the wall. It is topped by a course of stones set at right angles to those forming the wall. It stands a little more than a metre high at road level, but rises several metres above the natural level of the hillside.

Statement of Heritage Value:

The walling is of historical significance for the manner in which it is identified with early road transport in the region and the way it reflects earlier methods of road construction. The high quality of the work highlights the importance of this road.

Relevant Criteria (Under Section 16 of the Heritage Act 1993):

(a) the walling demonstrates important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the State's history;

(e) the walling demonstrates a high degree of creative, aesthetic or technical accomplishment or is an outstanding representative of particular construction techniques or design characteristics.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Cut Hill Stone Wall and Monument were entered in the State Heritage Register on 27 September 1990. They should remain on the State Heritage Register.

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ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE VALUE:

Criteria

(a) the walling demonstrates important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the State's history;

During the first half century of settlement in South Australia the construction of dry stone walls was common. Usually built by some of the highest paid tradesmen of the area, walls were built without mortar or cement.

(e) the walling demonstrates a high degree of creative, aesthetic or technical accomplishment or is an outstanding representative of particular construction techniques or design characteristics;

The wall was built as a parapet wall in 1868 by Jabez Grimble under contract to the Central Roads Board.

BRIEF HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

With the increase in the population of the Victor Harbor district following the growth in activities at Port Victor, the Road Board began to address the problem of roads. As a consequence, money was expended on the Yankalilla Road and then the road to Willunga. The stone wall at Cut Hill was built in 1868 by Jabez Grimble, who, according to Michael Page, undertook many road contracts for the District Council.

There is a plaque fixed to the memorial cairn near the walling. It notes:

THIS WALL WAS BUILT IN 1868 BY JABEZ GRIMBLE UNDER CONTRACT TO THE CENTRAL ROADS BOARD. THE ROAD WAS CONSTRUCTED IN 1961 BY THE HIGHWAYS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPT.

THIS PLAQUE WAS SET IN PLACE BY
THE HIGHWAYS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPT,
THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ENCOUNTER BAY
AND THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY
OF AUSTRALASIA (S.A. BRANCH) INC.
DECEMBER 1964

The road was reconstructed in 1961.

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REFERENCES:

Department of Environment and Natural Resources. State Heritage Branch, Adelaide, file no. 6627–14093.

Heritage Investigations and Historical Consultants Pty Ltd. Heritage Survey Region 4: Fleurieu Peninsula, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Adelaide, 1985.

National Trust of South Australia file no. 2510.

Page, Michael. Victor Harbor: from pioneer port to seaside resort, the District Council of Victor Harbor, Victor Harbor, 1987, p.67.

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SITE RECORD:

Location:

Adelaide Road, Victor Harbor

Description:

Dry stone walling

Land Description:

CT 4108/52, CT 4108/53: Section 148, Hundred of

Goolwa

Local Government Area:

Victor Harbor

Owner:

Department of Transport

Current Use:

Wall and Monument

Original Use(s):

Wall and Monument

Heritage Status:

State Heritage Branch: 6627–14093

Other Assessments:

National Trust Recorded List: 2510

Heritage Survey of Fleurieu Peninsula: 12

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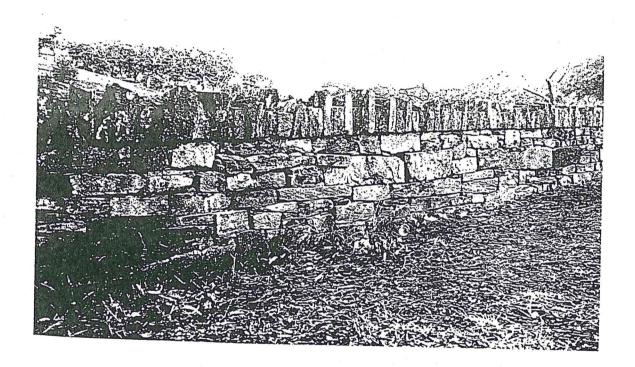
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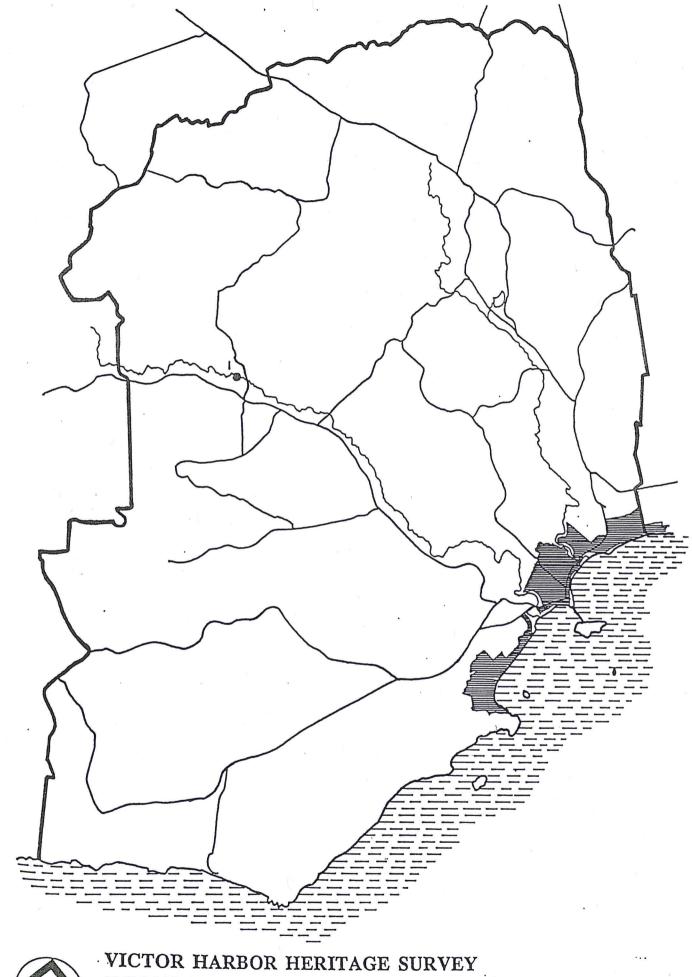
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INMAN VALLEY State Heritage Place

10 kms.